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The examiner's answer mailed September 2, 2008 is hereby vacated and a new examiner's answer is attached. This action is being taken because it was noted that some of the claims were not addressed.

The information disclosure statement filed August 3, 2009 fails to comply with 37 CFR 1.97(d) because it lacks a statement as specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e). It has been placed in the application file, but the information referred to therein has not been considered. Applicant's statement that the submitted information disclosure statement includes documents cited in a foreign search report is not sufficient to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.97(e). Because prosecution on the merits is closed, a proper statement including the time such material became available, see 37 CFR 1.97(e), is required.

Attachments: Information Disclosure Statement 8/3/09.

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